

## United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123-2394

August 12, 2021

Mr. David Monico TOPCO Energy, LLC 1803 Cottonwood Court Sugar Land, Texas 77498

Dear Mr. Monico:

Reference is made to TOPCO Energy, LLC's (TOPCO) Right-of-way (ROW) modification application (TIMSWEB submittal ID: 254536841) received by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) Pipeline Section on August 9, 2021, for Pipeline Segment Number (PSN) 18286 associated with ROW No. OCS-G 29087.

Specifically, TOPCO requests a temporary cessation of operations for PSN 18286 until November 30, 2021. PSN 18286 has been out-of-service since July 10, 2019.

The table below describes the pipeline segment pertaining to the aforementioned application:

PSN	Size (NPS)	Length (feet)	Service	Origin	Termination
18286	8	21,463	Gas and Condensate	Platform A South Timbalier Area Block 317	6" SSTI Ship Shoal Area Block 332

Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1000(b), TOPCO's application is hereby approved subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The annual rental required by 30 CFR 250.1012 shall continue to be due and payable in December of each calendar year.
- 2. If the associated pipeline has not been returned to service and is not being used for the purpose for which the pipeline ROW grant was made by November 30, 2021 the ROW grant shall be deemed expired in accordance with 30 CFR 250.1014. As a reminder per 30 CFR 250.1010(h), the ROW holder must remove all pipeline segments and accessories associated with ROW No. OCS-G 29087 within one year of the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration). Furthermore, a decommissioning application must be submitted to the BSEE Pipeline Section to decommission PSN 18286 within 30 days from the effective date of the relinquishment or forfeiture (i.e. expiration).
  - 3. If at any time prior to November 30, 2021 it is determined that the use of PSN 18286 is to be permanently discontinued, an application to decommission the pipeline and relinquish the pipeline ROW shall be submitted to BSEE Pipeline Section.

Mr. Monico

TOPCO is hereby reminded of the following since PSN 18286 has not been returned to service on or before July 10, 2020:

1. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1006(b)(2), the subject pipeline segment must be flushed and filled with inhibited seawater.

2. Pursuant to 30 CFR 250.1003(b)(1), the subject pipeline segment must be hydrostatically tested for at least eight (8) hours at a stabilized pressure of a minimum of 1.25 times the Maximum Allowable Operating Pressure (MAOP) prior to return to service.

Sincerely,

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(for) Stephen P. Dessauer Regional Supervisor Regional Field Operations